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Honolulu, Sept. 31, 1858-19

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that he has made extensive improvements in
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bar is supplied with the choicest wines and liquors, and
the proprietor, grateful for the liberal patronage heretofore ex-
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THE CELEBRATED TITCOMB COFFEE
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and valuable to be outflanked at one blow by the
hostile occupancy of that island. France, it is well
known, is said to contemplate serious designs with
respect to Central America. The Catholic popula-
tion of that region, and the unsettled state of Mex-
ico, might readily open an enticing view to the
ambition of the French Emperor. He would
thereby deserve a coronation at the hands of the
Pope, and place himself in a position to obtain
concessions for Italy better than by the agency of
the sword.

The dethronement of Souleque, though in itself
not a fact, probably, of great importance, may open
the door to an active intervention by France in the
affairs of Haiti. She lost that island by the enmity
of England, and she might now regain it by her al-
liance. Have not other powers an equal right with
the United States to plan new conquests in the
West Indies? Did not President Pierce depute
Madame Cazemate to negotiate for a permanent foot-
ing in Dominica, with a view to ulterior designs,
which were only not openly avowed, but for which
the times proved not ripe?

The war party in our own Congress—for such a
party has been growing steadily for a number of
years past—is determined to push forward the con-
quest of Cuba; and so reckless is it in the pursuit
that it does not pause to violate both the spirit and
the letter of the Constitution by virtually vesting
in the hands of the President the extreme function
of Congress alone. We cannot conceal from our-
selves the possibility that the two great powers of
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